

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House and Senate met in a Joint Session to receive a message from the President of the United States.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2389–S2432

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 457–467, and S. Res. 53. **Page S2423**

Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees”. (S. Rept. No. 111–4)

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Measures Considered:

District of Columbia House Voting Rights Act: Senate began consideration of S. 160, to provide the District of Columbia a voting seat and the State of Utah an additional seat in the House of Representatives, after agreeing to the motion to proceed to consideration thereto. **Pages S2390–99**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 62 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 65), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Pages S2397–98**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, February 25, 2009. **Page S2432**

Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting an address by the President delivered to a Joint Session of Congress on February 24, 2009; which was ordered to lie on the table. (PM–8)

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Cloture Motion—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the previously scheduled vote on the motion to invoke cloture

on the nomination of Hilda Solis, of California, to be Secretary of Labor, be vitiated.

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 80 yeas 17 nays (Vote No. 66), Hilda L. Solis, of California, to be Secretary of Labor.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—66) **Pages S2397–98, S2620–21**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:18 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, February 25, 2009. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S2432.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: On Monday, February 23, 2009, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 111th Congress.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments for the 111th Congress: